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E. O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR, LI, US
SUBJ: TOLBERT US VISIT
REF: STATE 066785
AGGREY FROM AMBASSADOR

1. I WAS ABLE SPEAK BRIEFLY WITH PRESIDENT TOLBERT AT NATIONAL YOUTH CONFERENCE RECEPTION LAST EVENING AND INQUIRED WHETHER

MRS. TOLBERT WOULD BE INVOLVED IN PROPOSED TENTATIVE SCHEDULE CONTAINED REFTEL. TOLBERT SAID CURRENT PLANS ARE THAT MRS. TOLBERT WOULD GO DIRECTLY FROM MONROVIA TO CANADA TO ATTEND GRADUATION OF DAUGHTER FROM MCGILL UNIVERSITY. MRS. TOLBERT WOULD THEN JOIN HIM IN WASHINGTON, OR ELSEWHERE IN U. S., DEPENDING ON SCHEDULE. IN ANY EVENT IT IS EXPECTED SHE WOULD PARTICIPATE IN WASHINGTON PART OF PROGRAM.

2. FACT THAT PRESIDENT TOLBERT WILL VISIT U. S. EARLY JUNE AND HIS HOPES TO MEET WITH PRESIDENT NIXON RATHER WIDELY KNOWIN IN GOVERNMENT AND BUSINESS/ BANKING CIRCLES BASED ON PRESIDENT' S OWN PRIVATE STATEMENTS AND THOSE OF STEVE TOLBERT WHILE IN U. S. IN RESPONSE TO QUIRIES FROM U. S. BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVES AS TO HOW THEIR COMPANIES MIGHT BEST FIT INTO SCHEDULE, I HAVE TAKEN LINE THAT: (A) WE AWARE PRESIDENT TOLBERT PLANS TRIP TO U. S.; (B) UNTIL DATES AND CHARACTER OF TRIP ANNOUNCED PUBLICLY, GOL BEST SOURCE INFORMATION ON TOLBERT' S PLANS;

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AND (C) IN MEANTIME, U. S. COMPANIES SHOULD MAINTAIN CONTACT
WITH DEPARTMENT/ AF ON TOLBERT' S SCHEDULE IN U. S.

3. LATER I TALKED TO WEEKS WHO COMPLAINED HE HAD NOT HAD
SOLID HOUR OF WORK IN NINISTRY DURING PAST WEEK DUE TO PTRAVELS
AND DEATH OF FATHER. I FILLED HIM IN ON DEVELOPMENTS TO DATE
AND SUGGESTED WE HAVE EARLY MEETING ON PRESIDENT TOLBERT' S
PLANS FOR TRIP AND SUBJECTS HE WISHED TO DISCUSS IN WASHINGTON,
ETC. HE PROMISED SET UP MEETING EARLY NEXT WEEK. I WOULD
APPRECIATE INFO I MIGHT RELAY TO WEEKS ON DEPARTMENT PLANNING
AND ITEMS I SHOULD EXPLORE WITH HIM INFORMALLY ON SUBSTANTIVE
SIDE.

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